## CLAIMS

- 1. An infrared receiving unit comprising an infrared receiver (E) for receiving infrared signals, and
- a transmitter search unit (SSE) for carrying out an infrared transmitter search.
  - 2. A receiving unit as set forth in claim 1 further comprising
- a memory (FBS) for predetermined frequencies for carrying out an automatic transmitter search within the predetermined frequencies.
- 3. A receiving unit as set forth in claim 1 or claim 2 further comprising
  - a latch-in unit (EE) for latching in a received infrared transmitter.
- 4. A receiving unit as set forth in claim 1, claim 2 or claim 3 further comprising
  - a switch unit (S) for enabling the transmitter search.
- 5. A receiving unit as set forth in one of claims 1 through 4 further comprising
- a display unit (AE) for displaying the infrared transmitters detected by the transmitter search.
  - 6. A receiving unit as set forth in claim 5 further comprising
- a code evaluation unit (CAE) for associating a detected infrared transmitter with a predetermined application.
- 7. An infrared headphone/hearing aid comprising an infrared receiving unit as set forth in one of claims 1 through 6.
- 8. A mobile terminal comprising a receiving unit as set forth in one of claims 1 through 6.

9. An interpretation and conference system comprising

a plurality of infrared headphones/hearing aids as set forth in claim 7 and/or a plurality of receiving units as set forth in one of claims 1 through 6, and

infrared transmitters for transmitting infrared signals at specific frequencies.

- 10. A system as set forth in claim 9 wherein the infrared transmitter adds to the infrared signal a specific code corresponding to the specific frequency of the infrared signal.
- 11. A system as set forth in claim 9 or claim 10 comprising means for personalising an infrared headphone as set forth in claim7, or

an infrared receiving unit as set forth in one of claims 1 through 6.

12. A system as set forth in claim 9, claim 10 or claim 11 comprising means for transmitting an operating and/or processing program to a receiving unit as set forth in one of claims 1 through 6.